

## **2018 Lobbyist Registration Audit of Tom Hensley**

### **FINDING(S)**

1. **Tom Hensley failed to timely register for two of his employers** (See Registrations section).
2. **Tom Hensley failed to complete his required lobbyist training.** (See Training section).

### **EMPLOYER(S)**

- Jackson Energy Authority
- Wine and Spirit Wholesalers of TN

### **REGISTRATION(S)**

Tom Hensley registered as a lobbyist for two employers during 2018. Based on the audit documentation, Tom Hensley failed to timely register for both employers. For both employers, Mr. Hensley had a continuing lobbyist relationship from 2017 to 2018. Therefore, he was required to register within seven days of the commencement of the registration year which is January 8, 2018. Mr. Hensley did not register until January 22, 2018, 14 days late.

### **LOBBYING AGREEMENT(S)**

Based on a review of the audit documentation provided by Tom Hensley, he was a direct employee of Wine and Spirit Wholesalers of TN. The employer had no employment contract with the lobbyist employee. However, per statements of the lobbyist and his employer, it appears the terms of employment were within the statutes for lobbying activities including having no terms for contingency payments based on lobbying success.

In addition, the review of the audit documentation provided by Mr. Hensley indicated he provided lobbying services for Jackson Energy Authority. He had no written contract or letter of understanding for this employer; however, per statements of the lobbyist and his employer, it appears the terms of employment were within the statutes for lobbying activities including having no terms for contingency payments based on lobbying success.

### **FAMILY OR BUSINESS ARRANGEMENTS WITH PUBLIC OFFICIALS**

Tom Hensley reported he had no business or familial relationships with persons who were officials in the legislative branch or officials in the executive branch.

### **TRAINING**

According to the Bureau of Ethics and Campaign Finance's lobbyist records, Tom Hensley did not complete his required lobbyist training for the 2018 registration year. T.C.A. § 3-6-114(b) requires each registered lobbyist to complete an annual training course. When a lobbyist completes the training online, the system records the training on the web-based system. If the lobbyist attends the legislative ethics training, their name is recorded at the training event.

and then administratively entered into the system records. Based on the review of the system records, Mr. Hensley did not complete the training online or by attendance during 2018. The Bureau of Ethics and Campaign Finance's lobbyist records indicate Mr. Hensley paid all training fees.